

death had lost its sting; it was no longer a terror, but a birth into the higher realms of deathless joy, sweet rest and perfect peace. The poor, to whom his heart and hands were ever open; the community of which he was a loyal citizen; the church of which he was an ardent supporter; the home in which he was the kind father and affectionate husband; the writer, in whose home he has been a comforter in times of sorrow and death, and to whom he was as a father; these, and hundreds of others whom he has helped along life's pathway, will honor and revere his memory. The world is poorer when a good man ceases to breathe, but richer, and sweeter, and purer, for such a one to have lived at all.

## Personal Mention

Pastors especially will note what Brother Kimmel has to say in this issue touching our coming conference.

The address of brother S. W. Wilt is now West Independence, Ohio, instead of Toll Gate, West Va., as formerly.

Since last report Brother Yoder has had one accession by baptism and two by letter at Warsaw. The work is moving along as usual.

According to the report of brother D. C. Moomaw the work in Virginia is looking up very nicely and the prospect good for a general revival thru-out the state.

Brother Smith is keeping the work going in the state of New Jersey. He feels lonely, not being connected with any conference district. Pa. will welcome you, brother.

Brother Darling gives some instructions to members of the Pa. conference district. Do not remain at home on account of the 25 cents per meal. Pittsburgh meals are worth fifty cents.

Brother Hixson is the right kind of a man. He keeps at it whether the district pays or not. But brethren, your district evangelist can not always do that. "The laborer is worthy of his hire."

A copy of the famous Campbell and Rice Debate can be purchased from brother J. L. Bowman, Huntingdon, Pa. It is one of the first edition and is in good condition. Those desiring a copy of the book will do well to correspond with Brother Bowman.

The time for the meeting of the Board of Trustees of Ashland College is set for June 9, at Louisville, instead of June 8 as announced last week. Members of the board will please make a note of this. This is the official announcement thru Brother Deffenbaugh, secretary.

Brother R. R. Teeter writes: Two years ago when we organized the Darwin, Indiana Sunday school, the M. E's, who were using the "Berean" quarterlies, said "We will have to get some better quarterlies or the Brethren school will get our scholars." Thanks, brother.

Brother Byers reports six accessions at Rosedale, Pa. It will be remembered that Brother Byers took charge of this congregation April 1, having been without a pastor for a year or more. We think he is doing very well, and trust the Lord may continue to bless his efforts to the saving many souls.

"Are the Ordinances Symbols Only?" is the question being discussed by brethren Copp, Smith and Wilt. The three brethren substantially agree tho they do not seem to know it. The ordinances are real, of course they are, there is a real physical element

in all of them, but when you come to the meaning of the ordinances, then they are symbolic only. It is in this sense that Brother Copp speaks of them

Pastors and all others concerned will please examine the form of statistical report, on last page. Brother Gillin aims to send one to each pastor in the church. If you have not received any, send for one or fill out back page and mail to him.

Sister Slotter seems to think there is too much politics in the paper. She has certainly misinterpreted both the editorials and other contributions. This paper has never yet assumed to dictate to its readers with what party they should affiliate. We have urged all voters to exercise their franchise in behalf of temperance whenever the opportunity affords, and this we shall continue to do, leaving the choice of party to the wisdom and good sense of the voter.

We call special attention to address delivered to the students of the Iowa State Normal School, Cedar Falls, by brother J. L. Gillin, and published in this issue. There is such unity of thought thru-out the address that we did not deem it advisable to publish in installments. We have read the entire address the second time and we trust every reader of the EVANGELIST will do the same. If the mission of the Brethren church is what Brother Gillin represents it (and we believe it is) then we are yet far from having attained to the standard. It is a noble mission, one worthy of our most earnest effort, fullest consecration, and a sacrifice, even to the extent of our very life. "Let us arise and go hence."

We have no apology to offer for the publication of the article by brother D. C. Moomaw on "Be sure your sin will find you out." Not because we hold any ill will toward our German Baptist Brethren, not in the spirit of revenge, no, God forbid, but in justice to our brother who was dis-fellow-shipped from that church for bringing charges of immorality against the brother who has been living a life of impurity during all these years and at the very time when these charges were brought. We regret the need of any reference to the matter at all, but is it not right and just that the world should know where the responsibility rests? It may not be too late yet to avert the judgment of a righteous God which is sure to fall on those who, against better light, permit such an awful miscarriage of justice.

## Brief Notes

As a kicker the mule is a conspicuous success, but the operation has never been regarded either as intellectual or fraternal.

If a man would be truly great, let him be greatly useful. He may be intellectually great, or great in courage, great in action, great as a writer or an orator, great in business, great in his profession, but all this is the mere husk of the corn compared to the one supreme consideration of usefulness.

In a recent newspaper account of the demise of a noted actor, it was stated that death came as a great surprise. Death is fond of surprises, and it appears to be a part of that strange insanity of the human mind that it refuses to entertain the thought of death as an instant possibility. Death never surprises the wise man.

Princeton University has a richly endowed chair of "General Politics." It might be a great blessing to the country provided it could turn out a brand of politics based upon exalted patriotism, and minus the proverbial partisanship, self-seeking and rascality which at present characterizes the profession.

An inflated football tied around his neck saved the life of a lad at sea. He had never before thought of his football except as something to kick, but in this sudden emergency, when he was threatened with a watery grave, it developed an adaptation and a usefulness as invaluable as it was unexpected. It so happens sometimes with men and women of humble station and inferior endowments when filled (inflated) with the Holy Spirit.

Governor General Brooke has issued a decree prohibiting the Havana bull fights, and he is said to be considering a decree abolishing the raffles and lotteries which have so long been a curse to Cuba. And yet we are told that political reforms must begin in the regeneration of public opinion. Statutory restrictions are sometimes instructors of public opinion, and a wholesome law against such iniquities as the saloon, Spanish bull fights and thieving lotteries we conceive to be the best possible expression of an indignant righteousness.

A man falls 65 feet down an air shaft and miraculously escapes serious injury. Men and women fall from moral heights into depths which cannot be counted in feet and inches, from the fatal consequences of which a far greater miracle is required to save them. Millions are destroyed, and yet other millions court the same dangers and plunge into the same abysses.

Scientists say that we are becoming a toothless people because the dietary habits of civilization do not give the teeth sufficient exercise. Virtue, religion, and other things more important than teeth suffer frequently for want of exercise. If you want to acquire a robust Christianity, give it plenty of exercise.

Canada is protesting against England's increased duty on wines. The colony is an active producer and the mother country is a liberal consumer of wine but the heavier tariff tends somewhat to the limitation of this trade. Human greed would admit hell fire free of duty if a dollar could be made by it.

Russia is adopting a course toward the people of Finland which will certainly drive them out of their country. They are a fine, wholesome, frugal, industrious, God-fearing people, and would make the most valuable immigrants to the northern sections of our country, or to Canada. The Doukhobars, or Russian quakers, have gone to Canada by the thousands, and the Finns will soon follow. How good was that manifest providence of God which provided this broad, rich continent for the persecuted and oppressed victims of old world tyranny.

Dr. Parker, the famous London preacher, startled his congregation recently by cursing from his pulpit the Sultan of Turkey. He evidently forgot that injunction of our Savior to "bless, and curse not." The temptation of sensationalism sometimes leads good and strong men very far astray.

Captain Coghlan of the warship Raleigh gets himself into a muss, and nearly gets our country into a muss with Germany, by talking a little too much with his mouth. When will our heroes get done bragging about the little popgun war we had with Spain? Suppose we had tackled a real power like Germany, and were now just getting into the thick of the fight. Let us be very thankful that the war was short and comparatively bloodless.

A fine monument to General Grant was unveiled in Fairmont Park, Philadelphia, last week. It is all right and proper to raise monuments to the saviours of the republic, but at the same time it puts in strong contrast the honor which is not given to the Saviour of mankind. Infinitely better than monuments of marble is the memorial of loyal and loving hearts, and this is the honor which Christ seeks at the hands of men.

A great actress orders a magnificent tombstone and intends to put it on exhibition at the world's fair in Paris. After it has, in the course of ages, crumbled to dust and passed from the sight and memory of man, it will still be true that "the righteous shall be had in everlasting remembrance."

Two brothers have spent six years searching for a lost brother in the great city of New York. Almost daily the papers report someone lost in that seething wilderness of humanity. But to each one of us there is a brother lost, only that we do not have enough of the heart of Christ to feel it, or of the love of Christ to earnestly seek him that we may bring him back to our Father's house.